

- YA Fic Feinstein, John Vanishing Act
Susan Carol Anderson and Stevie Thomas meet once again, this time in New York City to help cover the U.S. Open Tennis tournaments. Susan Carol's uncle, a new agent for an up-and-coming female tennis player, lives in Manhattan and offers them a place to stay. When the Russian tennis sweetheart Nadia Symanova is kidnapped right before her first match, Stevie begins to suspect that Susan Carol's uncle is involved. The mystery maintains a genuine level of suspense throughout the story.
- YA Fic Ferguson, Alane Circle of Blood
As she uses her knowledge of forensic medicine to investigate the death of a young runaway, seventeen-year-old Cameryn Mahoney, an assistant to her coroner father, worries that her secretive mother may be involved.
- YA Fic Ferguson, Alane The Christopher Killer
On the payroll as an assistant to her coroner father, seventeen-year-old Cameryn Mahoney uses her knowledge of forensic medicine to catch the killer of a friend while putting herself in terrible danger.
- YA Fic Gerber, Linda Death by Denim
Sixteen-year-old Aphra and her mother, a CIA agent, are hiding in France under new identities, but they must go on the run again when their location is discovered by a dangerous criminal.
- YA Fic Giles, Gail Dead Girls Don't Write Letters
Fourteen-year-old Sunny is stunned when a total stranger shows up at her house posing as her older sister Jazz, who supposedly died out of town in a fire months earlier.
- YA Fic Green, John Paper Towns
One month before graduating from his Central Florida high school, Quentin "Q" Jacobsen basks in the predictable boringness of his life until the beautiful and exciting Margo Roth Spiegelman, Q's neighbor and classmate, takes him on a midnight adventure and then mysteriously disappears.
- YA Fic Haddix, Margaret Running Out of Time
When a diphtheria epidemic hits her 1840 village, thirteen-year-old Jessie discovers it is actually a 1995 tourist site under observation by heartless scientists, and it's up to Jessie to escape the village and save the lives of the dying children.

- YA Fic Haddix, Margaret Found
 When thirteen-year-olds Jonah and Chip, who are both adopted, learn they were discovered on a plane that appeared out of nowhere, full of babies with no adults on board, they realize that they have uncovered a mystery involving time travel and two opposing forces, each trying to repair the fabric of time.
- YA Fic Harrison, Michael Facing the Dark
 When his father is arrested for the murder of a rival cab driver, Simon joins forces with the victim's daughter Charley to find out what really happened.
- YA Fic Henderson, Lauren Kiss Me, Kill Me (and sequel)
 When 16-year-old Scarlett Wakefield transfers from St. Tabby's to Wakefield Hall Collegiate, she is relieved that no one knows her dark, haunting secret. A few months ago, Scarlett was invited to an elite party with a guest list full of the hottest names in British society, including Dan McAndrew. Before the party, Scarlett had only imagined what it would be like to have her first kiss with Dan, but on the penthouse terrace, Dan leaned in close and she no longer had to wonder. Their kiss was beautiful and perfect and magical, and then . . . Dan McAndrew took his last breath as she held him in her arms.
- YA Fic Hoobler, Dorothy The Ghost in the Tokaido Inn
 While attempting to solve the mystery of a stolen jewel, Seikei, a merchant's son who longs to be a samurai, joins a group of kabuki actors in eighteenth-century Japan.
- YA Fic Hooper, Mary Newes From the Dead
 Wrongly accused of infanticide after delivering the stillborn child of her wealthy employer's ignoble grandson, Anne Green is sentenced to death. After being hanged, Anne awakens to a state of suspended animation, where she can neither see nor speak. She begins silently reviewing the sordid circumstances that led to her demise, while on the other side of the coffin's lid, Oxford's finest physicians discuss her imminent dissection. Luckily, a shy medical student observes her flickering eyelids and the doctors stay their knives. Anne is successfully revived, her near-death condition attributed to an ill-placed knot in the noose.
- YA Fic Horowitz, Anthony Three of Diamonds
 A collection of three Diamond Brothers mysteries in which Tim and Nick bungle their way through a search for a missing philanthropist, find themselves in a Parisian prison, and are stranded on a Scottish island with a murderer.

- YA Fic Knox, Elizabeth **Dreamhunter**
 In a world where select people can enter "The Place" and find dreams of every kind to share with others for a fee, a fifteen-year-old girl is training to be a dreamhunter when her father disappears, leaving her to carry on his mysterious mission. Laura comes from a world similar to our own except for one difference: it is next to the Place, an unfathomable land that fosters dreams of every kind and is inaccessible to all but a select few, the Dreamhunters. These are individuals with special gifts: the ability to catch larger-than-life dreams and relay them to audiences in the magnificent dream palace, the Rainbow Opera.
- YA Fic Mazer, Norma Fox **The Missing Girl**
 In Mallory, New York, as five sisters, aged eleven to seventeen, deal with assorted problems, conflicts, fears, and yearnings, a mysterious middle-aged man watches them, fascinated, deciding which one he likes the best.
- YA Fic Meldrum, Christina **Madapple**
 Aslaug lives in isolation; the flowers and plants that her mother, Maren, uses to make their lives possible are more real to her than the outside world. Then Maren dies, and Aslaug makes her way to the nearby Maine town, where she finds her aunt Sara and teenage cousins Susanne and Rune. Aslaug hopes they will have a clue to her father's identity; she learns, as readers already have, that Maren proclaimed Aslaug a virgin birth. Aunt Sara, a charismatic preacher, wants none of this. But Susanne, enthralled with the writings of esoteric religionists and pagans, believes this is a possibility, while Rune is just enthralled with Aslaug herself. Then Aslaug finds herself pregnant, and divine intervention is once more a possibility.
- YA Fic Miller, Kirsten **Empress's Tomb**
 Fourteen-year-olds Ananka Fishbein, Kiki Strike, and the other Irregulars encounter a Chinese mummy, a ghost, trained squirrels, and old enemies as they try to stop an art forgery ring and safeguard the secret streets hidden beneath New York City.
- YA Fic Naylor, Phyllis **Jade Green**
 While living with her uncle in a house haunted by the ghost of a young woman, recently orphaned Judith Sparrow wonders if her one small transgression causes mysterious happenings.
- YA Fic Nixon, Joan Lowry **Kidnapping of Christina Lattimore**
 A teenage girl is kidnapped, but when freed, is accused of masterminding the scheme to extort money from her wealthy grandmother.

- YA Fic Owen, James A. Search for the Red Dragon
Nine years after they came together to defeat the Winter King, John, Jack, and Charles return to the Archipelago of Dreams and face a new challenge involving the Lost Boys and giants.
- YA Fic Peretti, Frank Hangman's Curse
When several students at Baker High School are stricken by an alleged curse of the school's ghost, Elijah and Elisha Springfield and their parents, undercover investigators, are sent to uncover the truth behind the events.
- YA Fic Plum-Ucci, Carol The Body of Christopher Creed
Torey Adams, a high school junior with a seemingly perfect life, struggles with doubts and questions surrounding the mysterious disappearance of the class outcast.
- YA Fic Pullman, Philip Ruby in the Smoke
In nineteenth-century London, sixteen-year-old Sally, a recent orphan, becomes involved in a deadly search for a mysterious ruby.
- Newbery Raskin, Ellen The Westing Game
The mysterious death of an eccentric millionaire brings together an unlikely assortment of heirs who must uncover the circumstances of his death before they can claim their inheritance.
- YA Fic Roberts, Willo Davis Twisted Summer
Fourteen-year-old Cici hopes for a romantic summer at the beach but instead finds herself trying to solve a murder which had occurred there the previous year.
- YA Fic Runholt, Susan Mystery of the Third Lucretia
Lucas Stickney and Kari Sundgren, typical fourteen-year-old girls, land in the middle of an art mystery. The plot centers on a dark stranger whom they observe painting a study of a Rembrandt painting at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts. Later on a trip to London with Kari's mother, the young women see the same man copying another Rembrandt painting at the National Gallery. Both times, he appears cold and threatening. They also discover that two museum guards who may have seen his work have died in separate accidents.

- YA Fic Sedgewick, Marcus *My Swordhand is Singing*
 In the dangerous dark of winter in an Eastern European village during the early seventeenth century, Peter learns from a gypsy girl that the Shadow Queen is behind the recent murders and reanimations, and his father's secret past may hold the key to stopping her.
- YA Fic Shusterman, Neil *Everlost*
 When Nick and Allie are killed in a car crash, they end up in Everlost, or limbo for lost souls, where although Nick is satisfied, Allie will stop at nothing--even skinjacking--to break free.
- YA Fic Trueman, Terry *Stuck in Neutral*
 Fourteen-year-old Shawn McDaniel, who suffers from severe cerebral palsy and cannot function, relates his perceptions of his life, his family, and his condition, especially as he believes his father is planning to kill him.
- YA Fic Vande Velde, Vivian *Never Trust a Dead Man*
 Wrongly convicted of murder and punished by being sealed in the tomb with the dead man, seventeen-year-old Selwyn enlists the help of a witch and the resurrected victim to find the true killer.
- YA Fic Valentine, Jenny *Me, the Missing, and the Dead*
 Me: Lucas Swain—I'm nearly sixteen years old and live in London. I was fairly normal until the night I found Violet. Then everything changed. The Missing: Dad. He disappeared five years ago. Nobody knows what happened to him, and nobody cares except me. It's enough to drive you crazy. The Dead: That's Violet . . . in the urn. Speaking of crazy—I know she's trying to tell me something, and I think it's about my father.
- YA Fic Werlin, Nancy *The Killer's Cousin*
 After being acquitted of murder, seventeen-year-old David goes to stay with relatives in Cambridge, Massachusetts, where he finds himself forced to face his past as he learns more about his strange young cousin Lily.
- YA Fic Wilson, F. Paul *Jack: Secret Histories*
 At age 14, Jack's interests focus on his friends, especially his friend Eddie's sister, black-clad Weezy. The trio find a body and a mysterious black cube in the forest, both connected to a secret society of possibly ancient origin..

YA Fic

Wright, Rachel

You've Got Blackmail

Lozzie, 14, knows she is in big danger after she accidentally hit the Reply All button on an e-mail and sent the whole class a picture of the school bully, Tonya, with her head next to the back end of a horse. At home, Lozzie is dealing with her parents' recent separation, and she worries that her teacher, Mr. Barnett, is hooking up with Mum. What is his dark secret? What happened to his wife? And who is blackmailing him about it? Is it someone at Mum's beauty salon, where clients always spill secrets?

8/2009